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THE CATHEDRAL OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE ANNOUNCES VIRTUAL SERVICES FOR HOLY WEEK AND EASTER

(*April X, 2018 – New York, NY*) – In response to the ongoing COVID-19 crisis, **The Cathedral of St. John the Divine**, located at 1047 Amsterdam Avenue (at 112th Street), Manhattan, will for the first time stream its services for **Palm Sunday, Holy Week, and Easter** online on **April 5 – 12**, providing congregants in New York City and around the world with a way to virtually gather and worship together while maintaining necessary physical distance.

On **April 5, Palm Sunday**, the Cathedral will livestream the 11 am liturgy, bringing participants on a journey from Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem through the Passion story of his betrayal, persecution and death. The Right Reverend Clifton Daniel III, Dean of the Cathedral, will preach.

April 10, Good Friday, is a solemn day marking the crucifixion of Jesus. At 12 pm, the Cathedral will livestream its Good Friday observance, with the reading of the Passion, prayers, and a short homily. On the following day, **April 11, Holy Saturday**, a service will be streamed at 12 pm, using the Book of Common Prayer, brief prayers, a Psalm, and readings of Scripture.

April 12 is **Easter Day**, traditionally one of the largest and most joyful Cathedral services. This year, the Cathedral offers an 11 am livestream with a special sermon by The Right Reverend Andrew ML Dietsche, Bishop of New York.

All services will be livestreamed on the Cathedral's website and Facebook page. For more information, visit this page.

About The Cathedral

The Cathedral of St. John the Divine is the Cathedral of the Episcopal Diocese of New York. It is chartered as a house of prayer for all people and a unifying center of

intellectual light and leadership.

People from many faiths and communities worship together in services held more than 30 times a week; the soup kitchen serves roughly 25,000 meals annually; social service outreach has an increasingly varied roster of programs; the distinguished Cathedral School prepares young students to be future leaders; Advancing the Community of Tomorrow, the renowned preschool, afterschool and summer program, offers diverse educational and nurturing experiences; the outstanding Textile Conservation Lab preserves world treasures; concerts, exhibitions, performances and civic gatherings allow conversation, celebration, reflection and remembrance—such is the joyfully busy life of this beloved and venerated Cathedral.

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